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## IN THE DESCRIPTION:

## Please amend the first full paragraph of page 3 as follows:

— In a first aspect of the present invention, there is provided a clamp for a heavy-duty hose, the clamp including a loop for disposing around the hose and having first and second axially spaced apart looped ends, the clamp comprising: a force generator, for drawing together the first and second looped ends, and connected to the first and second looped ends, the force generator including at least one disc spring mounted thereon and made out of steel material so as to allow substantially high and constant clamping force from the force generator under operational condition of the clamp; and a spacer member mounted on the force generator between the disc spring and the first looped end for axially transferring a clamping the clamping force from the force generator to the first and second looped ends, the clamping force being sufficient to axially draw axially drawing together the first and second looped ends so as to clamp the hose.—

## Please amend the two paragraphs starting on page 5 line 4 as follows:

-- Typically, a plate is <u>hingeable hingeably</u> connected to the first looped end, the plate being continuous with the loop when disposed around the hose so as to <u>substantially close off a gap located in between the first and second looped ends</u>.

Typically, the <u>disc spring is made out of stainless steel material</u> <del>hose is a heavy-duty hose.</del> —